GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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RESTORATION OF HISTORICAL FORTS OF ORISSA
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from Government of Orissa for restoration of historic Barabati Fort, Khurdha Fort and Sisupal Fort;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to list these Forts in the Heritage List of UNESCO;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) & (b) No such proposal has been received from the Government of Orissa. Barabati Fort and Sisupal Fort are centrally protected monuments for which essential conservation and maintenance works are undertaken by ASI. Khurdha Fort is under the protection of the State Government of Orissa.

(c) to (e) No such proposal is under consideration, at present.